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EMBASSY CONTACTED MRS. FAINZAIG ON THE CASE OF
DETAINEES ISAAC HECTOR MOCHON AND JORGE NOE
FAINZAIG. BOTH MEN ARE BEING HELD FOR "ECONOMIC
CRIMES" UNDER EXECUTIVE DECREE 2127 DATED
JULY 21, 1977. ACCORDING TO MRS. FAINZAIG, THE
TWO MEN HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN CHARGED WITH ECONOMIC
IMPROPRIETY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF A
RESIDENCE IN LA RIOJA PROVINCE. THE MEN WERE
ACQUITTED IN SEPTEMBER, 1977 BUT REMAINED
DETAINED UNDER EXECUTIVE DECREE FOR UNSPECIFIED
ECONOMIC CRIMES. MRS. FAINZAIG TOLD EMBASSY
OFFICER TODAY (JANUARY 6) THAT SHE LEARNED FROM
A CONFIDENTIAL MILITARY SOURCE THAT MOCHON AND
FAINZAIG'S CASE MAY BE "SATISFACTORILY RESOLVED" BY JANUARY 25.
SHE THEREFORE REQUESTED EMBASSY TO REFRAIN FROM MAKING ANY
REPRESENTATIONS ON THEIR BEHALF THAT MIGHT COMPLICATE THEIR
RELEASE IN THE MEANTIME. NEITHER FAINZAIG NOR MOCHON HAVE
PETITIONED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY AS THEY WOULD PREFER TO BE

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FULLY EXONERATED AND RELEASED IN ARGENTINA, ACCORDING TO
MRS. FAINZAIG. HOWEVER, SHE ASKED TO SEE A CONSULAR OFFICER
TO DISCUSS DETAILS OF OBTAINING AN IMMIGRANT VISA FOR

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HERSELF AND HER HUSBAND. EMBASSY WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH
MRS. FAINZAIG AND REPORT FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. PLEASE PASS
ON THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO INTERESTED CONGRESSMEN,
INCLUDING REP. DRINAN.
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